

Relief planned for crowded Hartnell bus

Pleas and complaints from students to administrators have resulted in action designed to alleviate the crowding of the daily South County bus to and from Hartnell.

Hartnell College business manager Paul Peterson said he has been authorized by superintendent-president Dr. Gibb R. Madsen to search for a student to drive a van to Gonzales to pick up students. The action was taken after Peterson spoke to supervisor of Transportation Henry Rico Oct. 2.

Petersen said the van will begin running as soon as a driver is found.

Several Hartnell students riding the South County bus describe seating conditions on the vehicle as 'awful.' According to students, many times seating is three per bus seat. David Harp, who rides the bus from Greenfield, said "I don't think it should be that crowded. It (the bus) may be made for three in a seat, but it's not made for three adults."

Legally, the maximum capacity of the school bus is 73 persons. According to California Highway Patrol officer Ray McBride, the law allows 13 inches per rider, regardless of size. The 13 inches is a standard that applies from kindergarten to college buses.

Mary Hillaire, bus driver, said approximately 68 to 69 students ride the bus daily. According to students on the bus, one prospective rider on the bus was refused a ride on the bus because seats were full. On that same day, five other students elected not to ride because of crowded conditions.

Officer McBride said that the law stipulates "that each student must be provided a safe and adequate seat," regardless of the maximum capacity of the bus. At the request of the Panther Sentinel, McBride greeted the bus Oct. 2. With 52 students aboard, McBride said "that bus should not have been crowded the way it was." Although no laws were being violated, "in case of an accident, would say the bus was not safe."

When alerted to the situation several weeks ago, Dr. Victor Wm. Willits, dean of student services, said he was unsure he could justify the expense of sending a van to Greenfield if students were opting not to ride the bus because it was uncomfortable. He attributed the influx of riders to increased South County enrollment, the gas crisis and that high school students are taking the California High School Proficiency Test and entering college earlier.



Students are packed on bus like sardines in a can.

photo by Ann Williams

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Faculty submits proposal

A proposal by the Hartnell College Faculty Association was given to the college governing board at an Oct. 2 meeting.

The proposed agreement, the first since the advent of collective bargaining at the college, would be in effect from July 1, 1979 until June 30, 1982.

The governing board set Oct. 16 as the date for the public hearing on the proposal.

During the meeting, association president Bill Mounkes said there was "nothing mysterious, nothing complex" about the association's proposed agreement. "It's intentions and motives are self-evident in the proposal," he said.

Mounkes urged swift action on the part of the trustees. "If they (problems) continue to mount, we may have to go back to the hearings," he said.

Board negotiator Patrick Mahler said he would need at least three weeks to examine the proposed agreement. "If they took from March until now to draft the proposal, we (management) owe them the time to examine it carefully."

Coercion or censorship?

Mail flap plagues faculty, management

by CYNDEE FONTANA

Have you been told in a classroom to vote for a particular trustee candidate?

If so, you should report that 'influence' to the president of the college, a trustee or the president of the Hartnell College Faculty Association (HCFA).

That's one point on which HCFA president Bill Mounkes and Hartnell management agree. On other points in a four-week-old mailroom use-censorship controversy, Mounkes and Hartnell superintendent-president Dr. Gibb R. Madsen disagree.

Sparking the controversy is a new policy which states that all mail distributed by the business office must be approved by Dr. Madsen.

Basically, Dr. Madsen "would not have allowed" a letter urging voter registration by students to be sent through the faculty mailboxes. Mounkes, who distributed the notice at the request of the Student Activist Club (SAC) and instructor Bob

Melendez, said "I really thought the registration notice was absolutely innocuous. How anyone can be opposed to registering students for any type of election is beyond my comprehension."

At the Oct. 2 trustee meeting, Mounkes said the Salinas Californian was wrong in charging that instructors have tried to influence students to vote for or against board candidates. He added that the HCFA did not advocate such tactics.

Kicking off the controversy was an attempt by the SAC to distribute a notice through the campus mail asking for faculty help in registering students.

Shortly afterwards, Mounkes asked a clerk to distribute a California Teachers Association flyer. He was told it would not be distributed and, he said, was shown the SAC notice and told that Dr. Madsen had not allowed it for distribution. Dr. Madsen maintains he did not approve or disapprove the SAC notice, but he would not have approved the notice.

Mounkes distributed the flyer throughout mailboxes personally. He argued, "By law, I have a right to the mailboxes. I wasn't going to ask his (Madsen's) approval, and I didn't because that is censorship." According to Madsen, use of the mailroom is an item to be negotiated at the collective bargaining table.

A few days later, Mounkes said he was asked by the SAC via Melendez to distribute the registration notice. Mounkes agreed, wrote a letter and distributed it.

According to Mounkes, he was told Sept. 14 by management chief negotiator Patrick Mahler that "the administration would not allow the

distribution of such materials (as the voter registration notice)." When told he would have to take materials to Dr. Madsen first for approval, "I told him (Mahler)-I would not comply," Mounkes said.

On Sept. 18, Mounkes tried to distribute a memo to faculty via mailboxes. He was asked to leave the mailroom by a supervisor, Mounkes said. When the supervisor obtained a witness, Mounkes again refused to leave and said "if you want a witness you should go get Dr. Madsen."

In a memo to Dr. Madsen, the supervisor said she told Mounkes she would have to call campus security. In reply to that, she alleged that Mounkes "mumbled something that sounded like 'go to hell.'"

Dr. Madsen obtained an opinion from the County Counsel that stated, "The urging of instructors to devote working time to matters which are not germane to the subject matter of the faculty's classes and the use of college facilities to transit such urgings would be an illegal diversion of College resources."

At the Oct. 2 meeting, Mounkes told trustees he did not say that. "If I tell someone to go to hell, I don't mumble."

At a faculty meeting, instructors voted to send association material in sealed envelopes until the use of the mailroom was negotiated. Dr. Madsen told the Sentinel this week that an agreement had been reached that would allow the mailing of CTA materials in inter-office envelopes.

In response to editorials written by the Salinas Californian critical of the faculty, Mounkes said "it seems to me that Dr. Madsen is writing the editorials for the Californian."

Nurses granted \$1,000

The Hartnell College nursing scholarship loan fund will be the recipient of \$1,000 from the Jean Ellis memorial fund.

Presentation of the check will be made at 3 p.m. Oct. 6 in the Hartnell College board room.

Deadline approaches

Deadline for registering for the 1979 Women's Fair is Oct. 19.

The fair will be held Oct. 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Hartnell College. Registration fee is \$5.

Theme of the fair is "Changing Times, Changing Work."

One-half credit may be earned by attending the fair. More information is available from counselor/co-coordinator of the fair, Cindy Obenchain.

Board candidates speak

Questions will be fielded by prospective Hartnell governing board trustees at the student sponsored Candidate's Forum Oct. 17 and 18.

Governing board hopefuls will gather in the student lounge from 7 to 9 p.m. Oct. 17 and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Oct. 18.

3-D show premieres

A multitude of special effects, both visual and audio, awaits the viewer of the first planetarium show of the year entitled "Odyssey."

The show premieres Oct. 12 at 8 p.m. in the college planetarium. Planetarium director David Aguilar, who produced and authored the extravaganza will handle the special effects with the aid of two assistants.

Audience members will be asked to don 3-D glasses during the screening. The audition of a special sound system and laser lights will highlight the show.

Editorial: College acts too slowly in bus crush

Riding the South County bus to and from Hartnell is almost the equivalent of being jammed into a freshly packed sardine can.

The bus ride, at the least, is a 40-mile trip. That trip is neither safe nor comfortable for students perched precariously on the edge of a bus seat. Since authorization has been granted to dispatch a van to Gonzales to help relieve the problem, it is hoped the crowding may be relieved adequately.

Though the law allows three people per seat in the bus, it only allows 13 inches per person per seat. It's no secret that most Hartnell students have a bottom which exceeds 13 inches when flattened against a bus seat.

According to students who ride the bus, overcrowding begins at the Greenfield stop of the route, and students are frequently packed shoulder-to-shoulder from Gonzales (the final stop) to Hartnell.

The college should not have waited until a California Highway patrolman checked the bus with only 52 students on it and talked to transportation officials about the problem. Though the law allows 73 persons to ride the bus, it does not take into account the size of the person. In the words of CHP officer Ray McBride, "each person must be provided a safe and adequate seat."

The main issue is the safety, not the comfort, of students riding the bus.

Since the college has assumed the responsibility of transporting the students to and from Hartnell, it should demonstrate concern over their safety.

Dean of student services Dr. Victor Wm. Willits' comment that he was unsure he could justify the cost of sending another vehicle down to South County because students were "uncomfortable" suggests that the college administration has not seen the South County bus arrive at the Hartnell cafeteria.

According to students riding the bus, the administration has been aware of the situation for at least three weeks.

The lack of adequate transportation for South County students is not encouraging enrollment at Hartnell from that area. The college should provide adequate, safe transportation to and from South County in accordance with enrollment statistics, unless it wants to limit enrollment from that area.

We hope the less-than-lightning quick reflexes of the college regarding this problem do not show a disregard for students' safety. If overcrowding continues or outgrows the bus-plus-van solution, steps should be taken quickly to insure the safe transport of Hartnell students before South County students decide college isn't worth the risk.



Letters, letters, letters — to the editor

Hartnell student criticizes Californian editorials

To the editor:

Need we respond again to another editorial from the (Salinas) Californian? Has Jimmy Olson taken charge of the editor's desk? I was expecting an apology from the Californian over their last uninformed editorial concerning voter registration at Hartnell. But no, we are subject to more of the same half-cocked pontification. If the editors would like to talk with other folks involved besides Dr. Madsen, we are not that hard to find.

Must I repeat, the students initiated and are the main thrust of the voter registration drive. Members of various student organizations have registered one out of every ten students on campus in the last three weeks. We are proud of our accomplishment. We, too, have a vested interest. May I be so bold as to suggest that the Californian has, behind the scenes, sided with the administration and has refused to investigate the reality of the situation on campus. Though we were registering students to vote last year, we too have a stake in the upcoming election, and not just the Hartnell school board. But we are particularly interested in the board election because we are students here now, are student body officers, past student body officers, and have followed the political life on campus for several years, and after having done our own independent research, we have reached the conclusion that the quality of education at Hartnell has deteriorated because of the repressive political atmosphere maintained by the current school administration and the school board that props them up. The Declaration of Independence refers to a long train of abuses that people are willing to suffer with before they will unite and try to make needed change.

Need I repeat? The students initiated and are the driving force behind the voter registration drive. There is no "labor-management issue distorting the academic atmosphere." The Californian's

editorials are a disgrace to the journalistic profession. I hereby encourage all interested citizens to contact me or any other student involved in the voter registration drive or a student body officer to hear the other side of this whole inflated issue.

Gary Karnes

Hart faces mounting tension

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to an article which appeared in the Californian on September 18, 1979, which described a problem at Hartnell College. I for one, consider this not to be a negative situation.

Hartnell College has been experiencing an increasing amount of tension between the Administration and those who work for them. This event only serves to demonstrate further the oppressive conditions at Hartnell.

The current battle is whether the Faculty-Staff mailboxes at the college are personal or public. A letter was distributed which asked teachers to encourage students to register to vote. The President of the college states that the boxes are public property which cannot be used for political purposes. Bill Mounkes (president of C.T.A.) who distributed the letter, only said that students' votes could be a significant factor in the voting process.

Is advocating voter registration so political? I feel it is far from a political subject. Voter registration is vital for our form of government to operate. Are we to understand that the college President advocates an undermining of the whole Democratic process? If this problem at Hartnell bothers you, please let yourself be known through calling you current Board member, or by voting for a new one.

Jim Canaday

Student Representative to the Governing Board,
Hartnell College

Have something to say?

Use the Panther Sentinel's "Letters to the Editor" column to get your point across.

Letters of up to 300 words in length are accepted on topics relating to Hartnell. Letters over 300 words are subject to editing.

Letters must include the signature of the person submitting the letter, along with a telephone number for verification purposes. The telephone will not be printed in the Sentinel.

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For details, phone or stop at the office of admissions and records.

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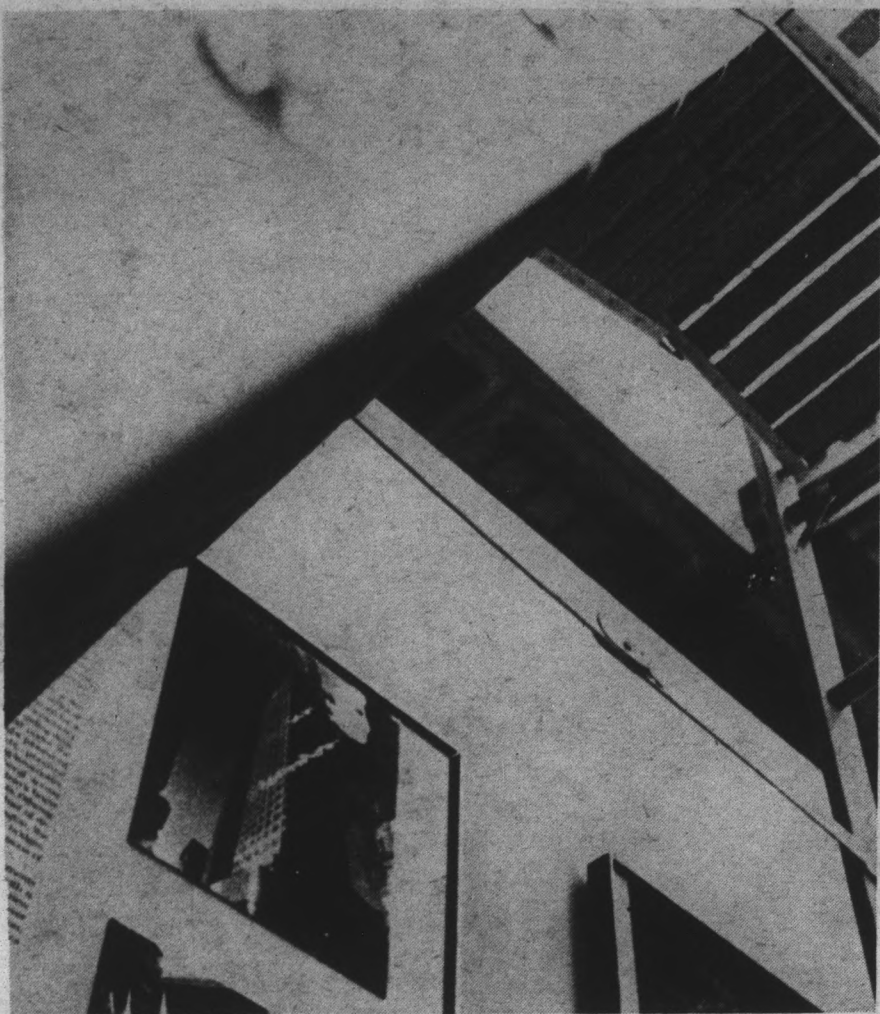
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Lightning in the air

Ceiling lights reflecting off glass create the illusion that a ball of fire is sending out streaks of flame in a picture which is part of the exhibit, entitled "America's Architectural Heritage," currently on display in the Hartnell College Gallery.

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AHT graduates pass state exams with healthy scores

by ANN WILLIAMS

Working late hours without a clinical teaching facility and riding out the waves in establishing a new program, the 1979 Animal Health Technology (AHT) graduating class came through with shining colors.

According to Dr. Morris Barenfus, director of the AHT program, all ten of the students in the class took the AHT state board examination and passed with a mean score of 90 in both the basic and radiation safety tests.

"We're obviously all thrilled at their success," said Dr. Barenfus. "It was a lot of fun working with these people."

The 1979 students were the first AHT students to be graduated, since the program was initiated three years ago. Originally, 80 students had expressed an interest in the course.

Dr. Barenfus refers to 'his' students as the "pioneers" and the "nuggets in the midst of crude oil."

As of Sept. 28, eight students are working in veterinary practices. Two others are undecided as to which field of veterinary medicine they will enter.

briefly...

A bill which would allow student members of community college governing boards to vote passed the Senate Education Committee of the assembly over the summer.

Under the bill, student trustees would be allowed to participate in executive session, having input into collective bargaining. AB 1551 would also create uniform student trustee elections throughout the community college system.

Speech therapy is available for Hartnell College students at the college Enabler office, located in Unit 2.

Interested students can contact Wayne Davis, counselor and coordinator of the Enabler program, or call the Enabler office at ext. 477.

Student tutors are needed by the Hartnell Tutorial Center in Unit 1.

Interested students must have a grade point average of 2.75, be recommended by a faculty member and have completed the subject in which they would tutor with a minimum grade of 'B'.

Prospective tutors should contact the Tutorial Center.

A student's guide to financial aid is available by writing to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Copies may be obtained by writing P.O. Box 84, Washington D.C., 20044.

calendar

Oct. 5 to 26 -- Art Gallery exhibit "America's Architectural Heritage," VAF building. Free.

Oct. 8 -- final day to register to vote in Nov. 6 election.

Oct. 9 -- National Organization for Women meeting, 7:30 p.m., Northern California Savings and Loan building at John and Main Sts.

Oct. 11 -- Evening Lecture Series "Me?" In Charge of My Self-Esteem?" by Ursula Caspar, 6 p.m., M-22. Free.

Oct. 17 -- Hartnell Governing Board Candidates Forum, 7 p.m., student lounge. Free.

Oct. 18 -- Hartnell Governing Board Candidates Forum, 11 a.m., student lounge. Free.

Oct. 18 -- Evening Lecture Series, "Depression" by Jack Schauer, 6 p.m., M-22. Free.

Oct. 19 -- Deadline to register for the 1979 Women's Fair.

VP seat filled in ASHC office shuffle

by ANN WILLIAMS

Perhaps "musical chairs" would be an apt description for the current shuffling and confusion about office eligibility in the Associated Students of Hartnell College (ASHC).

Filling the vacancy in the ASHC office of vice-president is Amy Leker. Leker, who replaces Pat Walberg, had formerly occupied the office of Commissioner of Facilities. She was voted into the office of vice-president on Sept. 20. There are now vacancies in the office of secretary, commissioner of fall activities and commissioner of facilities. Former commissioner of fall activities, Leon Vernon, was removed from office by the commission after three

unexcused absences from ASHC meetings.

A barb in the sides of several ASHC members has to do with a phrase in the ASHC constitution which states:

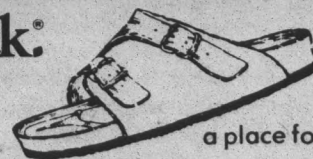
"All candidates, in order to be eligible for nomination, shall be enrolled in 9 units and have a 2.0 cumulative G.P.A. Officers shall maintain said scholastic average and complete at least 9 units per semester during their term of office." (ASHC constitution, Art. III, sec. 3 par. 1)

ASHC advisor, Dr. Victor Wm. Willits, raised a question as to whether or not the 9 units, needed for office eligibility, must be completed in the previous semester.

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Undefeated Panthers face West Hills

Hartnell puts its unsoiled record to the test when the Panther football squad plays host to West Hills at 7:30 p.m. tonight.

The Panthers, fresh off a 29-14 win over Reedley Sept. 29, carry a record of three non-league wins into the contest.

Prior to that game, the Hartnell drubbed the Santa Rosa Bearcubs 21-

10 in their home season opener Sept. 22.

At Reedley stadium, the Panthers battled rain, lightening and penalty-prone officials, in addition to the Reedley squad.

A total of 35 penalties were called for 397 yards, 20 against the Panthers for a total of 247 lost yards. Despite the penalties, tailback Gary Napue

racked up 134 yards in 24 carries, his best effort to date. Quarterback Rick Rebozzi lofted 18 passes for nine completions and 226 yards.

A tough Hartnell defense spelled the end for the Santa Rosa squad. Mike Robinson caught two of three errant Bearcub passes which fell into the hands of Hartnell defenders, and

end Tyrone Edgerton smothered a Santa Rosa punt.

The Panthers totalled 161 yards rushing and 122 yards passing. Rebozzi accounted for two running goals.

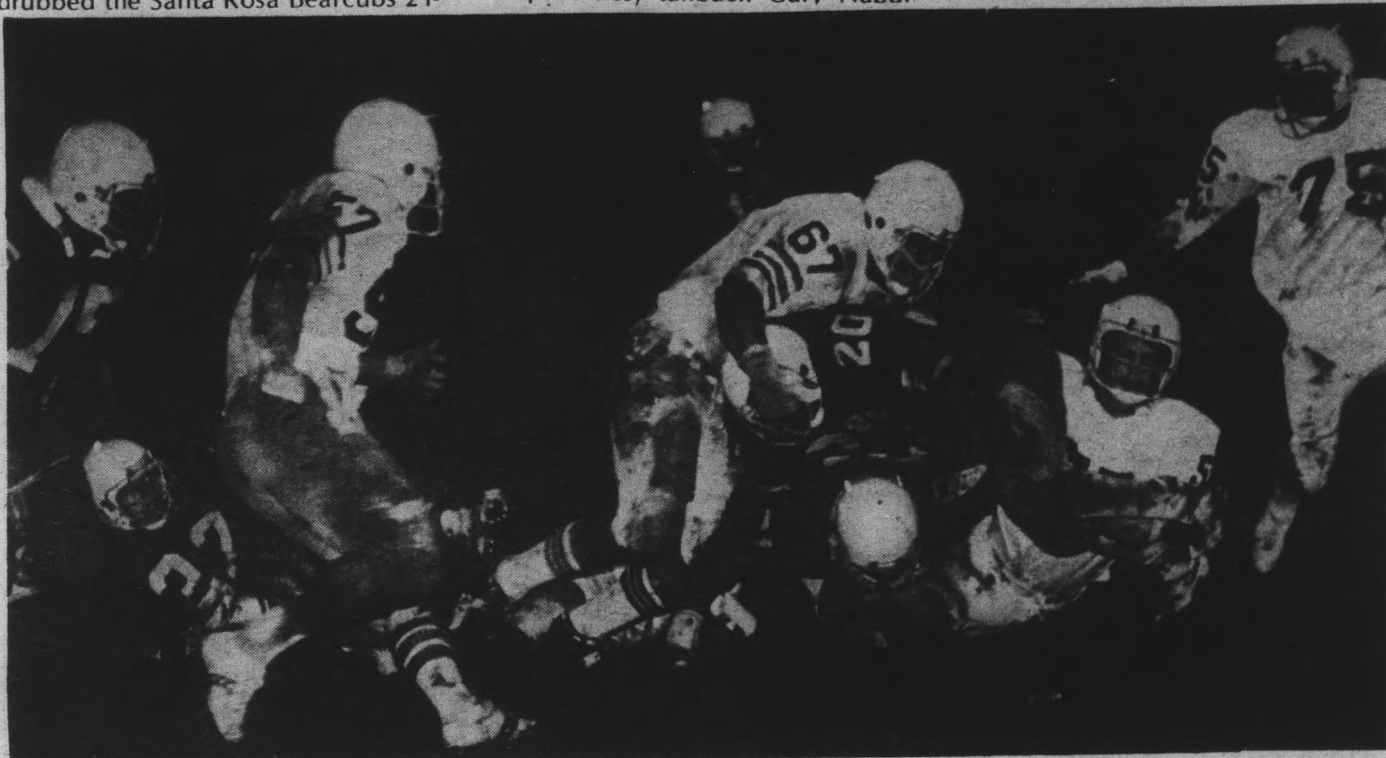
In the Central Coast Division, West Hills has a non-conference record of 2-1. They stopped Gavilan 10-3 in their last game.

Hart's Edgerton named player-of-the-week

Hartnell defensive end Tyrone Edgerton was named Coast Conference defensive player-of-the-week for the Sept. 24 week.

Edgerton, a freshman, was honored after he blocked two punts in two successive games, recovering both punts for touchdowns.

The blocked punts were in games against Football College, and Santa Rosa junior college.



Napue drags tacklers

Santa Rosa JC tacklers had to gang up to bring down Hartnell's 165 pound tailback, Gary Napue. Last Saturday, Reedley College had less success stopping Napue as he gained 134 yards in 24 carries.

— photo by Mark Wilkes

Two-week ski trip offered to students for credit

The University of Nevada at Reno and the California State University at Northridge are offering a ski trip package to the French and Swiss Alps for college credit.

Trips will be made Dec. 19 to Jan. 1; Dec. 23 to Jan 6; Dec. 29 to Jan 12 and Jan. 20 to Feb. 3.

The program is a two week study-travel party and sightseeing package

to Val d'Isere, France and Verbier, Switzerland. Total cost is \$1089.

Two semester units of lower, upper or graduate division credit in physical education are available.

Applications are available from ASTRA, 10929 Weyburn Ave., Los Angeles, 90024. Telephone number is (213)478-2511.

Hart duo listed among conference leaders

Two Hartnell football players are among conference leaders, according to Junior College Athletic League statistics released Sept. 24.

Hart quarterback Rick Rebozzi is ranked fourth in total offense and eighth in passing. Teammate Robbie Rocha is listed fourth in receiving statistics.

sportsbriefs

According to coaches' predictions compiled by the Junior College Athletic Bureau, the Hartnell football team is destined for the league's No. 1 spot.

Coaches in the Coast Conference football league were polled and voted on the predicted order of finish. Monterey Peninsula College received the runner-up spot, with Cabrillo, Menlo and Ohlone Colleges ranked third, fourth and fifth.

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Auto-racing closes out its season Oct. 12 to 14 at the Laguna Seca raceway with the Sprite Bottlers Grand Prix.

Featured during the three-day event will be the Citi-corp Datsun Can-Am Challenge, the Sports Car Club of America's premiere series and the Trans-Am championship.

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Oct. 5 -Merced at Hartnell, volleyball, 7:30 p.m.

Oct. 6 - West Hills at Hartnell, football, 7:30 p.m.

Oct. 10 - Ohlone at Hartnell, water polo, 3:30 p.m.

Oct. 10 - Menlo at Hartnell, volleyball, 7:30 p.m.

Oct. 12 - Skyline at Hartnell, soccer, 3:30 p.m.

Oct. 12 - Cuesta at Hartnell, water polo, 3:30 p.m.

Oct. 12 - Gavilan at Hartnell, volleyball, 5 p.m.

Oct. 13 - Hartnell tournament, volleyball, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Oct. 15 - Harlem Globetrotters at the Hartnell gymnasium, 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$6 at box office.

Oct. 17 - Monterey Peninsula College at Hartnell, water polo, 3:30 p.m.

Oct. 19 - Cross Country Triple-Dual meet; Hartnell vs. Monterey and Menlo vs. Monterey at Hartnell, 3 p.m.

Oct. 19 - Ohlone at Hartnell, soccer 3:30 p.m.